

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In Re Application of:

Hongming Chen

Application No.: 10/533,420

Filing Date: April 29, 2005

Confirmation No.: 4171

Group Art Unit: 1797

Examiner: Yelena G. Gakh

For: Method for Determining Effect of Preformulation Forms on Their Dissolution

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**PETITION TO ACCEPT UNINTENTIONALLY DELAYED CLAIM
FOR PRIORITY PURSUANT TO 37 CFR §1.78(c)**

Applicants hereby advise the Office that they failed to file a timely and proper claim of priority under 35 U.S.C. §§ 119(e), 120, 121 or 365(c) within the later of four months from the filing date of the later filed application or sixteen months from the filing date of the prior-filed application. Accordingly, Applicant(s) hereby petition that the office accept the delayed claims for priority.

Accompanying this petition is:

- An amendment directing entry of the claim for priority into the specification of the above-identified application;
- The fee of \$1410.00 as set forth in 37 CFR §1.17(t).

STATEMENT

The entire delay between the date the claim for priority was due under 37 CFR § 1.78 and the date the claim was filed was unintentional. Payment of fee(s):

- Enclosed please find a check in the amount of \$1410.00.
- Please charge Deposit Account No. 23-3050 the sum of \$1410.00.
- The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any deficiency or credit any overpayment of the fees associated with this communication to Deposit Account No. 23-3050.

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